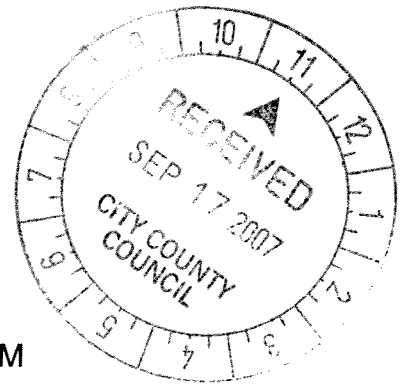


CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS  
COUNTY OF MARION  
STATE OF INDIANA

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 4, 2007

DESIGNATION OF THE  
NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



WHEREAS, the President of the United States directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (hereinafter "NIMS") (see Homeland Security Directive HSPD-5), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, local and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from, domestic incidents regardless of cause, size, or complexity; and

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all federal, state, local, and tribal homeland security partners has been and will continue to be vital to the development, effective implementation, and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management, it is critical that federal, state, local and tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities, and resources will improve Indiana's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and

WHEREAS, the incident command system components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the State, including current emergency management training programs; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (the "9-11" commission) recommended adoption of a standardized incident command system;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana and as County Executive and successor-in-interest to the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Indiana, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. I hereby designate and establish the National Incident Management System as the local standard for the management of domestic incidents as the same are described herein.
2. The intent of this Executive Order is to cause the implementation of National Incident Management System standards and compliance requirements to be legally binding on all City and County departments, agencies, and officials charged with roles and responsibilities during times of emergency or disaster.
3. This Executive Order shall become effective immediately upon execution.

DATED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2007.

CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS  
AND MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

By:   
Bart Peterson, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

By:   
Kobi M. Wright, Corporation Counsel